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- HAUNTED WOODS OF THE NORTHWEST --

by - Vaughn Greene , BSRA.

What untold secrets are found within the ancient crust of the earth? Are there places on this earth where baffling unseen forces are apparently at work? Men have whispered of such mythical areas as Agharta, in the Sangpo Valley of China, or the sea city of glass bubbles, which the Mehan Indians tell once bobbed around the shores of San Francisco. We remember the Theosophist's stories of fairy caverns under Point Loma. But what have we in actuality, to show such possible areas exist?

In my book now in preparation, "Flying Discs and Dynamite", I went into some detail on this subject. Meade Layne, Director of the Borderland Sciences Research Associates, was particularly interested in some personal experiences I briefly mentioned, and at his request I will describe these a little further and relate some details I have never publicly mentioned before. Some of these involve myself only; others include a friend of mine, Mr. Edward John, of 475 Fell Street, San Francisco. The areas where these incidents took place are about 75 miles apart, and about 100 miles north of San Francisco. They are typical northern California areas, forested and mountainous.

In 1945 I was invited by a friend to spend the summer with him at a resort on the Russian River. His cabin was at Summer Home Park, which is about 10 miles from Guerneville, California -- a small lumber and mining town. As I did not have too much to do, I often went on long tramps through the woods. And here I know that what I have to tell seems too "subjective", and little more than my memory of many jumbled impressions. You can call them all nonsense or food for thought, as you prefer. At any rate, the first week I was there a girl drowned in a frequently visited area. She was a good swimmer. Another girl I knew there had a police dog that was her constant companion for years. One day it vanished and was never seen again. And once while far in the back hills I came across some odd holes in the ground. How far down they went I don't know --they were too large to be dug by an animal, yet too small to be entered by humans. I tried to get into one of these, but had to stop about 5 feet down. I found miles of water lines draining water down from the top, and these water lines were made of trees, grooved down the center and laid end to end. I also found huge one-inch rusted cables tied here and there around tree trunks. Yet when I asked the old timers about this, I was told no one had ever been back in these hills. No lumber outfit - nothing. Incidentally, these old people were extremely reluctant to talk about this area. They tried to avoid the subject. I have been told by a woman mystic I know that the people up around Mt. Shasta act the same way, if you try to

get inquisitive. One day I tried to climb up a large mountain ridge that had baffled me previously. Half way up I was astonished to note the area I had been over before seemed to be charred as if a forest fire had swept through there. Yet no one had seen any fire. Further, there were plants growing through the charred area, showing it probably happened a long time before. I am at a loss to explain it. When I got to the top, in the afternoon, I climbed a great pine so that I could look over the ridge down into the next valley. When I did I saw a large house, far away in this isolated canyon. It shone pink and gold, and seemed to have minarets on it. Very strange ranch - house, I'd say. Then there was the trail. I followed it one day to see where it went. First it was a road, then weed-covered car tracks, then a small foot trail. After going miles in the mountains on this path that seemed to go nowhere, I stopped to rest. In that gloomy coolness, the silence was almost frightening. Not a bird chirping, not a tree rustling, or a fly buzzing. I felt very nervous, as if someone was watching me from behind, so I climbed a tree to get my bearings. I was surprised to see, from the summit, that the surrounding country was totally unfamiliar. It may have been the perspective, but I'd swear I had never before seen the mountains I saw then. I back-tracked in a hurry. Frequently, on these hikes I would come across stairs cut in sand-stone, leading up canyons or ravines. They would go so far - then stop. Seemed senseless. People built cabins near the resort river, but the farther up the mountain you went the less cabins you saw. Those that you did come across, seemed abandoned. But I found some odd ones. There was one with a big sign out in front of it titled "North Hell". I didn't get the joke, but what did seem funny was the way the cabin was built. The rear half of it stuck out over a ravine, and was supported there by beams over 100 feet high. Another cabin I passed had a strange kind of light I never saw before. It was like a fluorescent light, but intense almost to the point of an arc welder's flame. An odd reading lamp, to be sure. And in one spot, deep in the gloomy forest, I came across a cabin completely boarded up. Yet there were empty cans of food lying around, as if opened within two weeks. Then I got the strange feeling there was someone in the cabin. But why in the world would anyone stay in a place like that -- miles from a store, or other people on the river.

What I have said may not seem to add up to much, so let us see what Ed John can tell us. In 1932, he and his mother decided to homestead a piece of free government land near Clear Lake. This area, between Hopland and Lakeport, is about 25 miles across; yet it rises a mile, in that space, to the lip of a lake, as if it were a volcanic cone. Consequently it is composed of very steep hills and canyon gullies, and even to this day it has not been surveyed by the Government. As to things that go on there, I might doubt the word of a single person, even that of my friend, E.J., were it not for a number of corroborative factors, including what his mother told me. After about 4 years in

this spot (John said), he had to get out of the Clear Lake country. Why? Well, one reason was the intense and utter silence - an unnatural silence, so to speak, that got on one's nerves. After two weeks of the place you could hear a cricket running on the ground. Then there was the conduct of the few neighbors, some of whom went crazy. And one of them put a steel fence 12 feet high around his house. John told me after people moved up there, they frequently met with misfortune. These items, again, may not add up to much. But one night when John was lying in bed, he heard someone fumbling at the front door. When he called out to see who it was, he got no answer, so he quietly raised his shot-gun, and blasted a hole through the door. When he investigated, he found nothing. This didn't happen once only, but many times. John's mother told me one day while she was out, picking berries, I believe, she saw a person about nine feet tall striding through the grass, up on the mountain side. John told me of many small, but very odd occurrences. He is a crack shot, yet once he emptied a dozen rounds at a bird sitting about 10 feet above him in a tree, and failed to hit it -- nor did the noise frighten it away.

But what puzzled me especially, were the color slides which John took in the region. He pointed out different shapes in the brush he called demons and fairies (which I scoffingly called shadows), but one very definitely showed a horse walking along a ridge, with the grass beyond showing through him. You cannot fake kodachrome, it will upset the color balance. How that transparent horse was there, has me baffled.

Another interesting point is, that the Pan-American Clippers were considering using the lake as an emergency landing area, should San Francisco be fogged up, but the idea was abandoned when it was found there was some sort of radio interference in the area, that knocked out receiving messages.

Here's another incident told to me by John. One night, after a hard day in the fields, he was sitting at the kitchen table when he heard a car roar by. He got out the door of the cabin in time to see the lights going into a blind canyon. Out of curiosity he went up there - and found nothing. In all the years on his homestead, John says he never had one night of uninterrupted sleep. Due to this sort of thing, he had to abandon the place. A few years later he went back up there through curiosity, and found someone had razed his cabin to the ground, and even removed a granite government location-marker, nearby.

He told me he once saw a person with no head there; another with eyes like blazing coals -- and one can hardly blame him for leaving, after that. He claims the area is radio-active, and points to the string of geysers that extend down from Clear Lake as perhaps related to this.

There was an article on this area, at one time, in the Rosicrucian Digest, in which it was asserted that if you walked across a certain level field for 200 yards, then walked back; in returning, the area seemed a mile long, and took that long to cross. Further, photographs showed a discrepancy in the heights of people who took photos of each other, from the field and the road. This reminds us of the vortex areas around the "crazy spot" in San Jose', and the house of "mystery" at Little Sardine Creek, Oregon. Anything and everything hanging from the ceiling there, inclines toward the magnetic north at a 28-degree angle. At San Jose', photos show a similar discrepancy.

Perhaps we are making something out of nothing. Perhaps these and equally weird areas, like those strange black towers in the upper Turkistan border that flash out their unearthly beams to the unknown, are, after all, easily explainable. -- Perhaps, but no more than flying discs, poltergeists, and other often too easily dismissed damnations of the borderland limbos.

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Editor's note: Assoc. Greene's account of these uncanny happenings is by no means unsubstantiated. Assoc. Edward John, referred to in the article, described similar events in RR several years ago. Professor Charles J. Ryan also mentioned them (in RR), and held the opinion that there are numerous localities where, for unknown reas - ons, phenomena of the low etheric levels tend to cross the borderland into our regions of perception. As usual in such matters, the sensitivity or receptivity of the observer also enters into the matter.

The MP Controls have suggested, too, that the distortion of time, space, and gravity in these areas (like that at the "Mystery House" and other 'vortexes') may be partly due to the presence of particles of etheric matter of very high density imbedded within the earth. Such densities, according to the calculations of Lodge and others, may run to 1000 tons per cubic millimeter (the size of a pinhead). Unverifiable reports also describe areas of the sea where the surface of the water is dish-shaped. It is not necessary to assume that a maximum etheric density is found at all points ("of space"), since it is likely that there is an 'infinite' regress of ethers of increasing fineness and density, that the whole of these ethers (or space) have an incessant squirm, and create regions of comparitive rarefaction and condensation; otherwise it would seem impossible to explain localized effects on the basis of the idea advanced by the Controls.

We are aware that the ether-theory and its attendant picture - thinking have given ground to a purely mathematical approach - but also that this latter has bogged down in metaphysical abstractions. Readers interested in this should have our two-page statement called "New Approach and New Difficulties" (gratis on request). The matter is highly important to the problem of the Discs and other aeroforms.

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WEATHER ABNORMALITIES AND THE ATOMIC BOMB

by
Edward S. Schultz, BSRA

(The following article, first printed by us in November, 1949, is a reproduction in condensed form of a letter addressed to a well - known scientific monthly published in Washington, D.C., and returned by that publication with the advice that it should not be printed. The same material was submitted to about a dozen other papers and magazines, all of which ignored or rejected it, with the sole exception of FATE, which printed it in brief form in the issue for September, 1949. Since that time a considerable number of bomb experiments have been conducted, and also weather abnormalities, often of the most singular kind, have become world-wide. And in spite of the repeated denials of 'experts', the possibility of a connection between the two series of events has been much discussed. Associate Schultz is the only competent physicist who has pointed out the line which should be pursued by nuclear scientists in this **important** matter. Public interest cannot long be served (if ever) by suppression and dogmatic denials.)

TO THE EDITORS OF _____

Your and your readers' attention is herein directed to a question vitally affecting the lives and interests of all human beings on our planet, and to the citizens of this country in particular. A question, and a proposed answer:

COULD THE FIVE OR MORE ATOMIC BOMBS EXPLODED UP TO THIS TIME BE THE BASIC CAUSE OF THE WORLD-WIDE VAGARIES AND SERIOUS ABNORMALITIES OF WEATHER AND CLIMATE, OF WHICH THE UNPRECEDENTED REVERSALS OF WEATHER PHENOMENA IN THIS COUNTRY ARE SUCH NOTEWORTHY EXAMPLES?

It is my well-considered theory, that atomic bomb explosions can be, and very likely are the fundamental though indirect cause of the widespread and apparently increasing* cycles of upheavals of weather and possibly of climate in various parts of the world. Everyone is aware of the great droughts, heat waves, blizzards, cold spells, and great winds which have swept through parts of Europe. Such phenomena have been noted on practically every continent, and no one can be sure that the maximum stage has yet been reached or passed. What is the answer to this enigma?

Let me hasten to assert that I am in complete accord with scientific evidence and opinion that the atomic bomb explosions, as such and by themselves, could not and did not have any effect on the weather, even in the vicinity of the explosion. The explosions are relatively

puny and could not have direct effect on the meteorological forces of Nature.

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* Note that the disturbances have greatly increased, as Associate Schultz anticipated, and there is no reason to suppose they have reached a maximum. It now seems probable, however, that conditions within the solar system and even of a cosmic nature are involved - as Assoc. Schultz would readily agree; nevertheless the chemical interaction he describes necessarily continues, and the triggering effect of the detonations is to be reckoned with. (v. BSR pub. Previsional Atomic Research, by Assoc. E.S.S., 20 pgs.- $1.00).

However, it is my own theory that it is a far different matter if the role of the fission products of atomic bomb explosions is properly analyzed and considered in the light of radiactive ionization of gases in general and its effect on the oxygen content of the higher atmosphere in particular. Let us see what could happen in the above case, in terms of nuclear physics.

The highly radiactive and unstable fission products, or elements, split off in the atomic explosion of U-235, for example, first fission into the lighter elements Xenon and Strontium, and subsequently into a series of other elements, until they wind up as more or less stable elements. The primary fission releases from one to three neutrons for every atom of U-235 that is split, and the sum total of the fission - ing happens almost instantly. However, the subsequent atomic adjustments of the fission product elements emit veritable storms or showers of Beta particles (negative electrons) and Gamma rays, which are akin to X-rays.

It is a well-known fact of nuclear physics that Beta and Gamma radiations have powerful ionizing effects on atoms in general and on some atoms in particular. This would be much enhanced by virtue of the great quantities and intensities of the above ionizing radiations and the fact that their emission from the fission products is spread out over a relatively long time. How could these phenomena affect natural laws governing weather and climate?

As we know, both the force of the atomic bomb explosion, and the intensely heated gases and fission products thereof, are quickly carried high into the upper atmosphere and dispersed therein. There, the ionizing effects of the fission products (Beta and Gamma) can freely and continuously react on such gases as prevail at such heights; but in this case their effect upon Oxygen should be particularly studied.

It is a well-known fact that in the upper atmosphere there is a more or less well-defined layer or 'shell' of a modified form of oxygen, i.e., ozone, which is continuously generated from ordinary oxygen by the action of solar ultraviolet rays. And it is a widely-known scientific fact that it is precisely this relatively thin shell of ozone around the earth (from 10 to 20 miles high, above sea level) that

serves as a powerful absorber and modifier of solar energy or radiation. It serves, in fact, as a valve for modifying and controlling the amount of solar energy we receive. Anything, therefore, that would affect the oxygen-ozone cycle would be practically certain to influence weather or climate, since these depend largely on the amount of this solar energy that is valved through by the ozone shell. If the relative weak ultraviolet radiations from the sun can create the ozone layer and keep these cycles going, it is obvious that the far more potent radiations from the atomic fission products, reaching this ozone layer, would cause profound changes and disruption of the oxygen-ozone valving cycle.

The question might be posed as to whether the atom-bomb fission products might not become so evenly dispersed throughout the atmosphere that it would be impossible for this phenomenon to create abnormalities of weather or climate in spot areas, as these appear to be concentrated in the western States of this country. The answer is, that there are several factors which could prevent such an even dispersion, but which would tend to vary concentrations of the fission products from time to time and place to place. These might include trade winds or currents in the upper air, effects of the rotation of the earth, seasonal changes, perhaps the effects of the earth's magnetic fields, etc., and the fact that the ozone content of the solar energy governing ozone layer varies with surface air pressure. It is known that the ozone layer is thicker and lower at the Poles, and that the ozone content of the air is greatest in spring and least in summer.

If the above theory is correct - and there do not seem to be any logical arguments to the contrary, it is obvious that any atomic bombs exploded from now on (Dec., 1949) would tend to increase the effect on the weather and/or climates of the world. Furthermore, it must be remembered that such fission products or radioactive wastes as are daily released from atomic piles, anywhere in the world, would also serve to increase the effects explained above. In fact, because the creation of such wastes is continuous and cumulative* this source might in due time become equivalent to one or more atomic bomb explosions. And it can be readily seen that the role of the dispersed fission products (from atom bombs or uranium reactors) in relation to the equilibrium of the ozone 'shell', would be that of a disruptive, modifying or triggering agent, subsequently influencing world weather and perhaps climatic conditions.

It is hoped that nuclear scientists, with far greater research facilities and spheres of action than this writer has at his command, will take over this avenue of study in behalf of corroborative end results.

-- E.S.S. --

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* The probability of <u>delayed</u> and <u>cumulative</u> effects has been steadily ignored in both scientific and governmental circles.

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ADDENDUM TO THE REESER CASE:

This subject is again written up, under the title of The Riddle of the Cinder Woman, in MAN'S Magazine for August 1953, article by Thomas Thursday. Our readers may recall our own write-up and the comments of Probert Controls. It was one of these so-called spontaneous combustion cases, where a human body is largely or wholly destroyed by fire, but almost without damage to nearby objects - or else the damage distributed in very strange ways. Various officials and 'experts' (St.Petersburg, Fla.) made a prolonged study of all evidence and circumstances, but finally wrote it off as an unsolvable mystery.

The Controls referred to reminded us, that fire, like all other forces and 'elements' (electricity, magnetism, gravity etc.) has a two-fold or even a manifold nature. Energy can be thought of as wave-like motion in the ether; the 'crest' of the 'wave' is a maximum effect; the 'trough' is minimum or vanishing. One part of phase of such motion is on a vibratory level to which our senses respond - we can see, hear, or feel the manifestation.

The nature of fire is not summed up by describing it as visible combustion. That will do well enough for the aspect of it which we see and feel. But it is also perfectly correct to speak of the Kundalini force as Fire; it is, so to speak, part of the same energy-arc as is the visible flame. More than that, it can come through onto the material and organic level and manifest as flame or intense heat. All this, though stated very crudely here, is familiar ground to students of esoteric and 'occult' matters. The Kundalini force (at the base of the spine) can be awakened, controlled and directed by systematic exercises such as are taught in various Yogic practises. But, as is generally known, ill-advised experiments are very dangerous indeed.

The Controls went on to say, that in the case referred to, the unfortunate Mrs. Reeser had been a student of occult matters, had engaged in magical practises, and had probably awakened the Kundalini forces. In the same connection she had invoked one or more of the Fire Elementals, and it turned out that this Entity was unable to control the Element which accompanied him (the Fire). This failure resulted as if a true combustion-fire had been kindled within the body of the woman - the heat being so intense that "the only remains were a shoe, a foot, part of the backbone, and a skull shrunken to teacup size" (see photo' in Magazine referred to). The inexpert Entity (the Elemental) is also said to have been "badly damaged" (!).

This was not, then, in its inception, the kindling of any ordinary flame in the Reeser apartments. Perhaps one could say crudely that it was an energy-wave of combustion frequency, utilized but not well controlled by an intelligence (the Entity) - and probably summoned up by rituals, mantrams, or some form of meditation. Or it might be possible that the Kundalini force itself ran suddenly out of control and manifested as sudden and terrible heat. It is impossible for any occultist or for the Controls themselves to say exactly what happened; all the latter offer is a conspectus of the situation and possibilities.

CORRESPONDENCE OF ROLF TELANO:

1. ... I have been reading the material you recently sent me, and the main thing that caught my eye was the advice of the YADA to those ex - perimenting with projection to the Discs by hypnosis. It seems quite clear to me that while the visitors are not unfriendly their acts indicate that they do not desire contact with the people here at large - although there are, of course, selected exceptions. Common decency would demand, I think, that one should not try to go barging in on them uninvited. And it is quite probable that they have certain things which they do not want to reveal to the people of this planet - things which they might consider important enough to destroy an intruder to protect, if necessary.

This brings to mind a letter I received from a reader in New York City about a year ago. She had been reading and thinking about the Discs as she fell asleep, and she dreamed that she suddenly found herself on one of them. Her question was whether it was merely a dream or an accidental projection. She found herself in a room on one of these craft, in which a woman was apparently preparing a meal. This woman looked at her but did not say anything and went on with her task. After a while a man entered, looked at my correspondent , and said to the 'space woman': She might be a spy - perhaps we should destroy her." The woman replied: "That isn't necessary. She wandered here in a dream state and doesn't know where she is. I'll send her back if she worries you." At this point my correspondent awoke, Difficult to say just what it was, of course, but I think it would be a logical reaction on the part of the Disc people in case of an uninvited visit.

Considered strictly on a time-table basis, three of "Gloomy Gus's" predictions have failed to come true. ("Gus" is one of the communica - tors with Assoc. R.T.- ml). When brought on the carpet about it, he claimed that we had "our calendar all screwed up." Assoc. Schultz suggests the difficulty of transmitting the time concept from one plane to another and feels that such errors should not be judged too strictly -- if I understand him. This is in line with my own impress - ions received from my contacts. They exist in a timeless and spaceless plane and time and distance are alien concepts to them. Many of them refuse to date anything exactly - they know the sequence of events but not the day and date.

Another "prophecy" received about 18 months ago (but more or less disregarded by me until now) is working out almost to the letter as regards Russia. It did not fix the dates except in the most general terms - but stated that by May or June of this year it would be difficult to have any official dealings with Russia because things "would become so confused, <u>following</u> the <u>death</u> <u>of</u> <u>Stalin</u>." There would be several rival leaders contending for power, none able to speak with authority for the whole nation. The final end would be the break-up of the Soviet Empire into a sort of feudalism without central authority and mutually distrustful - though all would retain the Soviet theories, with certain modifications. While this was going on inside the 'Iron Curtain' tension between it and the 'free world' would be built up by a series

of irritating incidents (nature not specified) which were not intended by the Reds to cause a war, but would cause one some time this spring, due to the unstable attitude of our Congress and Government. Not much detail about the war, except that the Reds would gain some initial victories, after which it would die down and fizzle out. All very general, but seems fairly correct so far.

(Note: Assoc. R.T.'s letter is dated March 15, so the important matter is again the sequence of events and not the tentative dating. Underscoring in these excerpts is by the RR Editor. - ml).

There is also always the possibility of error at this end. While my ideas as to how things are done are still a bit hazy, it would seem that for some reason the sender cannot at the same time receive, and so does not always know if the message has been received properly or at all. I have frequently been aware of asides, obviously to some other person, such as, "Am I getting through?" Did he get that?" etc. Secondly, it seems that the messages are actually sent in the form of abstract thoughts and that the translation into words takes place in the receiver's mind. The sender has control of this process to a certain degree, but there are limitations. He cannot, for example, transmit anything which the receiver's mind is incapable (due to lack of education) of translating -- and they sometimes run into 'blocks'. For example, before the last Presidential election I was told the correct number of Electoral votes, but the wrong candidate. Their explanation was, that the wish form in my mind was so powerful that it rejected the name they sent and substituted the other. *

(With apologies for interrupting, the RR editor asks special attention to the preceding paragraph. As was to be expected, there is a rising tide of sporadic psychism, as well as of communications from highly responsible sources such as Assoc. R.T. himself. We receive many accounts of dreams, visions, predictions and abnormal experiences, reported in obvious good faith and often very distressing to the person concerned. It is certain that many of these are colored by the hopes and fears and the general mental and physical condition of the recipient. To evaluate them is impossible but to disregard them entirely would be stupid. There is no rule-of-thumb one can apply. The only possible criterion is long experience with a given 'sensitive' and his or her communicators. We esteem R.T.'s reports very highly indeed, but he himself points out the effect of a powerful wish-form - an example of his own insight and honesty. We have often pointed out that a little elementary education in the facts of psychism and spiritism is of great practical importance, and the present situation emphasizes the statement. The phrase "critical receptivity" expresses the attitude we recommend and try to adopt - and 'criticism' in this sense does not imply hostility, but only evaluation).

Regarding the Nors: They have recently told me that an error in translation on my part was responsible for the confusion about the excarnate humans (in connection with the Disc phenomena). I did not actually use this term, although my remarks would clearly imply something

of the sort. The fact is, they now tell me, that although they did spend considerable time on this planet in 'material' form, in prehistoric times, that was not their natural state, and they were really "temporarily incarnated" humans. That is, they assumed that form in order to more conveniently do certain things here. Also, they did not learn "how to advance to a higher plane" as I recorded. It was more a case of learning how to control things in progress on this plane from their own plane, or something of the sort, in order to free them to return to their former or natural plane. I'm not certain that I have the exact concept on this - they didn't seem too well satisfied that I did-but it's something along that line. Also, as to their present location I'm a bit confused. It seems that the particular ones with whom I was in contact were on Venus Etheria at that time - but when I later asked where they were, the answer I got was "anywhere and everywhere". When I asked where they came from originally - "Where is the starting point of a circle?". But since I'm badly confused myself, I fear I can't explain it - so will cease and desist.

R.T.

We take this R.R. space to call attention to:

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-DESCRIPTION OF A MERMAID -

"About twelve years ago,when I was Parochial schoolmaster at Reay, in the course of my walking on the shore of Sandside Bay, being a warm, fine day in summer, I was induced to extend my walk toward Sandside Head, when my attention was arrested by the appearance of a figure resembling an unclothed human female sitting upon a rock extending into the sea, and apparently in the action of combing its hair, which flowed around its shoulders, and of a light brown color.

The resemblance which the figure bore to its prototype in all its visible parts was so striking, that had not the rock on which it was sitting been dangerous for bathing, I would have been constrained to have regarded it as really a human form, and to an eye unaccustomed to the situation, it must have undoubtedly appeared as such. The head was covered with hair of the color above mentioned, and shaded on the crown, the forehead round, the face plump, the cheeks ruddy, the eyes blue, the mouth and lips of a natural form, resembling those of a man, the teeth I could not discover, as the mouth was shut; the breasts and abdomen, the arms and fingers of the size of a full-grown body of the human species. The fingers, from the action in which the hands were employed, did not appear to be webbed, but as to this I am not positive. It remained on the rock three or four minutes after I observed it, and was exercised during that period in combing its hair, which was long and thick, and of which it appeared proud. Then it dropped into the sea, which was level with the abdomen, from whence it did not reappear to me.

I had a distinct view of its features, being at no great distance on an eminence above the rock on which it was sitting, and the sun brightly shining. Immediately before its getting into its natural element, it seemed to have observed me, as the eyes were directed toward the eminence on which I stood.

It may be necessary to remark, that previous to the period I beheld this object, I had heard it frequently reported by several persons, and some of them persons whose veracity I never heard disputed, that they had seen such a phenomenon as I have described; though then, like many others, I was not disposed to credit their testimony on this subject. I can say of a truth, that it was only by seeing the phenomenon I was perfectly convinced of its existence.

Your most obliged and humble servant,

(signed) William Munro.

NOTE: From a letter to the editor of the Mass. Spy, or Worcester Gazette of Nov. 15, 1809. Cr. Assoc. Milt R. Swansor, Boston Port Rd., Route 20, So. Sudbury, Marlboro, Mass.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS -- THE MARK PROBERT CONTROLS: JUNE '53.

Question: Concerning the nature of the aerial concussions noted over many cities of the U.S. and in other parts of the world also. The YADA di SHI'ITE (a title meaning 'Head of the Chi'ite Clans) replied to this (Mark Probert being in deep trance):

'Why ask me, since your learned men, your scientists and experts have assured you that the jet planes are the sole cause! What a great number of jet there must be overhead, even invisible and unknown to the authorities - and how wide they must be ranging even over foreign countries! Well, the chief cause of these sounds is the changing condition of the ethers of which we have told you before. The earth is passing into new regions of space and into fields of greater etheric density. This is connected with what you call the red shift - the recession from each other of the island universes. The concussion itself is a kind of crepitation of the ether - it is like the bending of huge sheets of metal...

As to impending disasters - they are always impending. This is partly because of the natural motions of the earth. It has many small motions, of course; and it has a wobble or bobbing motion (nutation). It is not as much like a sphere as you may think; it is really pear - shaped or shaped like a squash, and this squash wobbles. Sometimes the wobble becomes more pronounced, and this is true at present. Then there is greater chance of terrestial disturbances.

With regard to disasters, there is never anything but liklihood - that they may or may not occur at a stated time. This uncertainty is due to many factors. Quakes on the Pacific Coast are likely - but have been likely for a long time. The subsidence of all or part of the Japanese islands has been 'imminent' for many years. Sometimes more likely, sometimes less so ...

Question: A well-known scientist lately asked this question: Granting that the Discs are piloted by what you call Etherians, or Guardians, or human-like beings - how do they protect themselves against extreme heat and cold. Do their bodies have metabolism somewhat as ours do? Do they eat food? These questions apply both to these beings in their own worlds, and to the 'materialized' bodies in which they appear to our sight and touch.

THE YADA: The people of the Discs when in other regions, on other planets or traversing space (as you call it) have bodies humanlike in form, and eat food, and have metabolism. They feel heat and cold. Their bodies have a glandular system. The bodies which they create for use on or near different planets are adjusted to different conditions. There will be change in atomic motion, in vibratory rates. As to temperature changes the answer will appear singular to you. When cold is great they create within their bodies layers of fatty tissue * over and around the nerves. The nerve system is under control of the mind but you earth people have forgotten how to do this. You cannot control the glands and build up fatty tissue by mental means. It is difficult for you to understand this on account of your time ideas.

NOTE: *Compare Tibetan Yogis naked in snow. (Comment by Mark Probert).

(The Yada, con.) -- In some few cases there are excarnate humans in what you call Etheric regions or among 'Ethereans' ... These beings know nothing of time and space; their minds do not work as yours do. It is perhaps necessary to speak of space as ether or the other way around; but in Eastern metaphysics the Etheric regions, or state of being is thought of as lying 'above' or 'beyond' the astral realms or conditions. It is the Higher Attainment. This is the distinction between the Astral and the Etheric 'worlds' or modes of consciousness.

Question (MVH) concerning sound and color therapies:

The Yada : Yes, many remarkable things can be done by such means, but remember that sound and color can also upset the nervous system. We bring into this world certain mental aberrations from other lives, and until the consciousness learns what is happening it will keep on producing aberrations in the body no matter what therapy is used. The soul seed, the seed atom must be reckoned with in this. You have to study the past life of a person before you dare to give treatment. It will help to change habits of life (by such therapies?) but the cure will not last - or else a different disease will appear. And you need to learn about the child life of the patient, and about the parents' lives also, and their diseases and so on.

Remember always, that ALL disease, and all that happens to any individual originates in the mind.

Communicator: Professor Alfred Luntz (High Ch.of Eng., 20th c.):

Question: Concerning uses of incense:

Prof. Luntz.: The sense of smell is very mental - peculiarly so - and incense is a marvellous source of both attraction and repulsion. Did you know that you can fumigate a house against spirits. Any practise of ritual with use of incense and sound, or either of these, will draw excarnate beings about you ; they can be forbidden or expelled by similar means if one knows how. Flowers and perfumes have a similar attractive effect to that of incense.

(NOTE: The Yada stated earlier in the evening, that privacy - under all ordinary circumstances - can be secured by simple rituals, by sealing the aura and verbally forbidding and expelling. This, he said, "draws the curtain". While such means might not be effective against a determined psychic attack by a knowledgful entity, yet the sealing of the aura and use of simple protective rituals cannot be too highly recommended, not only on 'occult' grounds but in the interest of mental and physical health. The whole sphere of the aura (the magnetic field about one) is purified and calmed, and the leakage of energy prevented. This is elementary knowledge in occultism, but still unknown or disregarded by nearly everyone in the West - including spiritualists, who should be specially concerned with this subject).

Prof. Luntz (con.) Since the origin and basis of all things is in Mind, a person can be 'haunted' by an object as truly as by any other entity such as an animal or an excarnate human... As to animal survival and hauntings: in the jungles primitive people are quite often

haunted and killed by "dead" animals. Different animals require different conditions for survival,& the wild "incarnate" more quickly than do the domesticated ones. If a single wild animal should be the last of its species, after its death it will reappear in the closest allied form- i.e., the nearest species. This animal return depends on many factors; the continued manifestation of the life-ray is conditioned by the special environment. But of course, animals never incarnate as humans.'

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I add, as being of much practical interest, a few paragraphs selected from Dion Fortune(Psychic Self-Defence, pg. 174 et pas.):

"We have very little exact knowledge concerning the subtle forces which are the basis of both occult attack and spiritual healing, but we have good reason to believe that in their nature they are closely analogous to electricity. They are not inanimate forces, however, but have in their nature something that is akin to life, though of a low type. It has been my experience that if we work on a blended analogy of electricity and bacteriology, we get pretty near the facts. In other words, if we act as if thought possessed the combined qualities of electricity and bacteria we shall have a sufficiently accurate method of steering by dead reckoning. The various methods used in folk-magic of all ages and races are in agreement with these hypotheses ...

"It is an excellent plan, when trying to break an undesirable psychic contact, to immerse oneself in a bath of water that has been specially consecrated for the purpose" (i.e. simply affirm the special meaning and intent of the bath: "any act performed with intention becomes a rite"). redressing in new or at least clean clothing afterward, and if possible moving into a different room. If this cannot be done, move the bed into a different position, taking care to turn it at a different angle - if accustomed to lying north and south, place your bed so that you will now be lying east and west ...

"If there is sufficient occult force at work to produce physical phenomena, it is very advisable to take precautions to prevent maferializations" (Physical phenomena may take a great variety of forms - sounds, lights, luminous balls of mist, sometimes odours, human-like forms, displacement of objects, precipitations of powdery substance or of slimes etc.). Certain substances are effectual in preventing this condensation of etheric energy. Consecrated salt" (v. consecration, sup.) dissolved in vinegar and placed in saucers about the room will cope with low degrees of force, but for higher potencies nitric acid is the best thing to use, a small quantity being poured into a saucer and exposed to the air ... use well diluted, since it is the evaporation which counts ... A time-honored and effectual method is to strew garlic about the house, leave it over night and then burn it . . . ."

The book quoted above is in effect an inside view of modern operative occultism; "A study in Occult Pathology and Criminology". We recommend it as unique and invaluable. Order by title given in paragraph 2 above, from The Book Exchange, 2643 No.33rd St.,Philadelphia 32, Penna.-$3.65.(Refer to BSRA or Round Robin.)

THE WEIRD "MYSTERY SPOT" OF SANTA CRUZ

(Rev.Verne L. Cameron)

Some years ago it was my privilege to visit the strange Mystery Spot out of Santa Cruz, California, though nearer to the small city of Los Gatos.

Driving through unbelievably beautiful forests of giant redwoods, pines, buckeyes, and other native trees, and among wild azaleas, rhododendrons and other beautiful verdure in their natural habitat, we finally arrived at a place to which we had been directed in a small canyon where we parked our car,and after paying a small admission fee we were directed to a shed on a sloping hillside. That was IT. Then began a series of unbelievable events.

The shed had slid off its flimsy foundation and a few feet downhill. A small crowd of sightseers were in and around it with expressions ranging from sneers at other's gullibility, to utter amazement. There were startled yelps as one after another found they could not balance on the slope, but had to keep constantly on the move or fall headlong. One could balance just as he normally would on a comparable slope, but only for an instant, when suddenly he would feel as if invisible hands had pushed him, and only a sudden step in the right direction would prevent a fall.

Two level blocks of cement, perhaps 12 x 24 inches in size had been cast in the ground near the shed, perhaps two feet apart. If two persons stood facing one another on these, the one on the East block, I believe it was, appeared to others to be several inches taller than the other, even though he actually were slightly shorter; while if they changed positions they suddenly reversed the apparent differences in height. There was an eerie appearance about them--the one standing on the West block somehow giving an illusion of distance, even though you could reach and touch him. A ball placed on the lower end of an inclined board, did the impossible and rolled slowly up the board and fell off. Another block of cement caused a compass to behave in a most erratic manner. This, however, might have been due to magnets cast in the cement for effect. This was the only thing about which I could find the slightest question. I realized they had left the shed in an inclined position to add to the effect, but inside it were other phenomena which, like the farmer's giraffe, "just weren't so."

A broom balanced on the floor stood far out of line with a string from the ceiling from which a weight was suspended. A heavy weight hanging by another cord or chain from the ceiling could be pushed to the left 10 inches with great ease, but when you endeavored to push it to the right even half as far, it resisted mightily.

Since the shed (it was really a small house) was perhaps two feet lower on the west side than the east, it was a little difficult to walk or stand on the floor but strangely enough it was nearly as

easy to stand on the west wall as on the floor. This in about a 12' x 12' room with no more than a two-foot drop on one side, was far out of line with the natural.

Having been called up to central California to locate some water-wells, which was made possible by my invention of the Aurameter instrument, I was naturally armed with several other instruments, such as a compass, etc., so I felt sure on going to the Mystery Spot I was going to expose a neat fraud. I was determined not to give up without a struggle. When, after an amazing two hours during which I called on all my ingenuity and resourcefulness, I was as far from the answer as ever, I finally regretfully started to leave, I happened to glance skyward at the stately, straight, towering trees which surround the building and the circular spot affected by the strange phenomenon. It was then that I received the shock which proved to me, without further doubt, that the conditions were not man-made. The tree tops all leaned inward toward the center of about a fifty-foot circle.

This could only be accounted for by some kind of aberration of gravity.

Two years later my sister visited another almost identical Mystery Spot in Oregon, I believe it was.

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-- M.L.

- DON GREEN'S LANTERN . . . . . -

THE LITTLE PEOPLE OF MT. SHASTA...--And our 27½ inch man of Col - ogne, Germany are picking up competition... apparently... maybe not... It's altogether possible that they all belong to the same family.

We are speaking now of the little geasers, spotted by a couple of miners at Marble and Jordan Creeks.... A United Press dispatch says, near Brush Creek, California...The Press Telegram has it in Colorado- Doesn't make any difference anyway...What's a few miles to a flying saucer?

The miners described the 'saucer' as being seven feet in diameter and about four feet thick. It used a three-legged landing gear that retracted when it took off - and that left marks on the sand the size of elephant tracks.

June 20th was the second time these men had seen it - once before on May 20th...Each time a little man got out and scooped up a pail of water, handing it to someone inside...It would be interesting to know what that pail was made out of... Sounds modern.

The little man who got out wore a'knee-length parka', or something similar. His arms and legs were covered with a heavy tweed material.

After listening to die-hards, pseudo intellects, and plain lame-brains spout off for so long a time about the impossibilities of a universe they don't know anything about, here is a switch, as re-freshing as a spring breeze...Malcolm Epley, columnist for the Long Beach Press Telegram, speaking of the "Brush Creek" episode, lays it on the line like a man:

"This correspondent yields to no man in skepticism about flying saucer stories. For years I've scoffed and hee-hawed at the fan - tastic yarns told by people who claim to see strange objects in the sky. But, at last, there's a flying saucer story I can believe- -

"I'm sure I saw the same little men one time high in the Selkirk Mts. of northern Idaho.

"It was about the fourth of the month, the lonely mining camp had been more or less marooned by deep snow. Late one shadowy afternoon in February I left the cabin to go down to the woodpile for a load of wood. When I was about fifty yards from it, I saw something mov - ing down there. On closer inspection I discerned two little men a - bout the size of midgets, helping themselves to our wood. Each took a chunk, about all he could carry, and tramped off into a nearby patch of trees. When I got to the woodpile I could see where the two chunks of wood had been pulled out of the pile, and I saw faint little tracks in the snow leading to the patch of woods..."

Mr. Epley returned to the cabin and tried to get the other two fellows who were staying with him to come and examine the evidence, but they laughed him down and refused to leave their card game. The

tracks were covered up by an over-night snowstorm. He goes on to say:

"The world may laugh at Van Allen and Black (the miners), and some body may say significantly that they're not drinking men, but here's one who isn't laughing."...

That's all... Wish I could tell you more, but any attempt at 'follow through' is heart-breakingly lacking. Disinterest, fear, ignorance of the importance of first-hand data...The after-thought...which is always too late...and sometimes the inability to express themselves correctly, of the few who are privileged to be eye-witnesses...All these keep us everlastingly on the search. But there's said to be an answer for every question sooner or later.

SKY ICE...again...This time on Long Beach, California, with the fall lasting over a period of two minutes. One chunk weighed an estimated 150 pounds. Cars were damaged, but no persons injured.

The altogether usual supposition accompanies the report: "The deicing of a high-flying plane". Accept that conventionality if you wish- but I'm going to play around with it...The fall lasted two minutes. A plane flying 300 miles per hour, would cover ten miles in two minutes... Time enough to fly over Long Beach and be over Los Angeles, or out to sea, depending on the direction in which it was headed...If the ice shower lasted two minutes, believe us, what - ever was moving up there was flying in a mighty tight little circle.

An eye-witness says that a hunk as large as a baseball struck the pavement beside him, and there was not a plane in the sky. I have a theory..Oh, well...what's the use of wasting space...Maybe if I just go away somewhere nobody will notice me.

WE HARBOR NO DESIRE... to convince anyone of anything...But somebody isn't using their normal ration of intelligence in trying to explain away the recent "Loud Explosions" over Los Angeles and vicinity.

It's probably our intelligence at fault, but believe we have a point. From the statements of observers in LaCrescenta, Pasadena, Compton, Hollywood, and West Los Angeles, military installations and aircraft manufacturers...that there were no jets in the air at the time...we naturally assume that "THERE WERE NO JETS IN THE AIR AT THE TIME."

However-nevertheless-although-but! A captain of U.S.A.F. presents a theory...And with apologies to him, we quote:

"When these planes," (what planes???) "break the sound barrier the shock waves always build up...If the line of the wave is hori - zontal everything is ALL RIGHT. But if the wave is pointed toward the ground, it must strike somewhere."

He said that it is very possible that the sound waves originate 40 or 50 miles away...If the sound wave strikes the ground in one

area...any area...how in the name of 'all git out' does it repeat itself 50 miles away in another area, and AT THE SAME TIME, without being heard, felt, and reported all along its dubious 50 miles between points?

We can't play along with you up that blind alley, Cap. Your theory is a bit thin in spots.

NO JETS AND NO THEORIES... Laguna Beach (local) Register S.A. .... 6/22/53... A mystery blast and accompanying flash rocked the ground at 10:45 P.M....Sheriff's officers couldn't locate the cause... no fires... no damage...lots of noise...no sense.

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As added items: A recent severe "sonic blast" over San Diego has been "explained" in the usual fashion (as a result of a jet-dive at ultrasonic speed) - despite the also-usual denial by all the air Services that any jets were overhead. -- We are told on the best authority that A.F. officials now consider the Discs as interplanetary, and also admit that the whole matter has been badly mishandled. It is inevitable that this crow-eating must be done in public also, before too long a time . . .

Present info. is, that FIVE Alaskan peaks are showing pronounced activity - also that quakes are recurring in Guatamala. This, along with volcanic activity in the Western & South Pacific areas has long been expected by seismologists - who also expect minor (perhaps major) earth shocks on the Pacific Coast of the U.S.

Referring again to the "sonic blasts", we repeat the partial explanation given by the Mark Probert Controls - that these blasts are a kind of crepitation in the ethers (like that produced by bending sheets of metal). The earth is said to be entering a region of increased etheric density - though just how and why this should have such effects is a nice problem in super-physics. As to "impending" disasters, the Control remarked drily that such events are always impending - that we shall probably have severe drought, tornadic storms, volcanic activity and quakes, and that the next few months appear to be a critical period; nevertheless the communicator declined (as usual) to make more specific predictions or to give dates.

We recommend the first article, The Collapse of the House of Stalin, in VALOR for July 4 (Noblesville, Ind. , Wm.D.Pelley, Ed.). The thesis underscored as "The thing that's pushing the collapse of this House of Stalin's is alteration in the global weather of this planet ... This thing is drought, that produces famine... and death to mass populations."

Dr. Pelley has a strong tendency, of course, to lay up this intervention to "The Almighty" - as is his privilege - but his article does present a striking picture of world conditions from this point of view.. VALOR is also publishing a series of articles on Caodaism, well worth attention.

Dr. Einstein and the Atomic Bomb Project

"My participation in the production of the atom bomb consisted in a single act: I signed a letter to President Roosevelt. This letter stressed the necessity of large scale experimentation to ascertain the possibility of producing an atom bomb.

"I was well aware of the dreadful danger for all mankind, if these experiments would succeed. But the probability that the Germans might work on that very problem with good chance of success prompted me to take that step. I did not see any other way out, although I always was a convinced pacifist. To kill in war time, it seems to me, is in no ways better than common murder.

"As long, however, as nations are not ready to abolish war by common action and to solve their conflicts in a peaceful way on a legal basis, they feel compelled to prepare for war. They feel, moreover, compelled to prepare the most abominable means, in order not to be left behind in the general armaments race. Such procedure leads inevitably to war, which, in turn, under todays conditions, spells universal destruction.

"Under such circumstances there is no hope in combating the production of specific weapons or means of destruction. Only radical abolition of war and of danger of war can help. Toward this goal one should strive; in fact, nobody should allow himself to be forced into actions contrary to this goal. This is a harsh demand for anyone who is aware of his social interrelatedness, but it can be followed.

"Ghandhi, the greatest political genius of our time has shown the way, and has demonstrated what sacrifices man is willing to bring if only he has found the right way. His work for the liberation of India is a living example that man's will, sustained by an indomitable conviction is stronger than apparently invincible material power."

-- Dr. Alfred Einstein, in "Newsletter", April, 1953.

"With the monstrous weapons man already has, humanity is in danger of being trapped in this world by its moral adolescents. Our knowledge of science has clearly outstripped our capacity to control it. We have too many men of science; too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount. Man is stumbling blindly through a spiritual darkness while toying with the precarious secrets of life and death. The world has achieved brilliance without wisdom, power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war than we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living. This is our twentieth century's claim to distinction and to progress."

-- General Omar Bradley, in "Newsletter" April, 1953.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WILLIAM JAMES

"Do you know one reason why you love to get out into the country? Because in all cities there is immense psychic pressure, untold masses of entities -- they crowd upon you. You must not only learn to control them, you must learn also that there is not only a possibility of transmuting them from undesirables to desirables, but that it is one of the most pressing duties that lies on the human race today. Of course not nearly all the entities that press upon man in a great city are evil, malicious or deterrent. Good spirits, spirits of the very highest order, are there too. It is an overwhelming thought to those to whom it is an entirely new idea, but since it is the fact, one of the most potent facts of your life on earth, you had better recognize it and deal with it. . . . .

"The immense masses in India, China, and Russia are as yet living solely and only to hold body and soul together, a blind primitive instinct. They constitute a huge haystack of the most inflammable (mental) material, and the enormous weight of the mass of them is where our danger lies. Yet note their childlikeness born of lack of education -- as yet they do no thinking. Their individual vocabularies consist of from 300 to 600 or 700 words, and you can't think very deeply at that rate.

"Hence, they might be easily appeased before they rise in unthinking masses, the weight of whose numbers would be overwhelming. Behind them lies the greater untold masses of the dark forces, living in mind, but controlled by master minds. You as individuals will have no chance to deal with the millions of the Orient, but you can by your clear and understanding thought join those of us who are trying with all our powers to reach those controlling master minds, comparatively few in numbers but of a relatively huge importance. I have to remind you that here again many of them are too little spiritually developed for us to reach them, hence we MUST have your help. It is a purely mechanical matter of the mechanics of spiritual vibration. You are well aware of the wave lengths of sound and light. You have learned enough about those matters to make it clear to you that varying wave lengths can travel over the same space and not interfere one with another. Now, here you touch another phase of the same law; the rate at which we think and exist makes a mechanical difficulty in our reaching them. There is a degree of truth behind the thinking of those who believe in and would teach a purely mechanistic universe, but they miss that inner vital element of spirit. . . .

"There is a danger, a very great danger, in masses of people trying to cultivate their clairaudient and clairvoyant powers. They should be warned unless they go into it from the highest motives they will be sucked into the vortex of the dark forces, who will know how to disguise their real identity so that they will deceive the 'very elect.'! . . .

(Cr. Assoc. Bernhard Mollenhauer)

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BASKET-WORK PEOPLE: AN EVOLUTIONARY SIDE-LIGHT

In the fifth-Race the social arrangements changed, as more intelligence was developed; the bee system disappeared but they still had little individuality, and moved rather in flocks and herds, guided by their Manu. The baskets became more closely woven and represented what could be done by the unfolding life in those who were emphatically self-made men, unaided by the stimulus given by the Lords of the Flame. This type which moves in flocks is still largely represented by the people who hold conventional ideas because others hold them and are wholly dominated by Mrs. Grundy. These are often quite good people but are very sheepy and flocky nd appallingly monotonous. There are differences among them, but they are like the differences between people who buy tea by the quarter-pound or by the ounce, noticeable chiefly by themselves.

One fierce type of basket-work was observed, not living in communities but wandering about in forests in pairs; their heads ran up to a point behind matching the chin in front, and the head ending in two points looked odd and unattractive. They fought by butting against each other like goats, the top of the head being of very hard bone. There were some yet lower types, curious reptilian creatures living in trees. . . The bulk of the Basket-works from Globe D of the lunar Chain arrived on our earth in the third Round and led the human evolution; the Basket-works from Mars fell in behind them, and the whole resembled fairly intelligent gorillas. The animals were very scaly; and even the creatures we must call birds were covered with scales rather than with feathers; they all seemed to be made of a job-lot of fragments stuck together, half bird, half reptile, and wholly unattractive. . . .

(from Man, Whence, How and Whither; Besant & Leadbeater; Early Times on the Earth Chain (Ch. VI).

(The Basket-work beings are so called because of a network which formed "connecting the ego and the lower mind" and giving them a peculiar basket-like appearance. All such descriptions are of course derived from clairvoyant observation in which the observer regressed in time. Such regression is common in the practise of psychometry, and we should also remember that ante-natal regression can be accomplished by the use of hypnosis. The clairvoyance illustrated above, however, is better described as a reading of the Akashic Records. See the Encyc. of Psychic Science, by Nandor Fodor, Art. Psychometry (3½ pgs).

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-- TELEVISING PSYCHIC PHENOMENA --

In 1922 W. D. Chesney invented the first infra-red devices for therapeutic and mechanical purposes, assigning them to The Burdick Cabinet Company, Milton, Wisconsin. Crookes, in his book published about 1873, one of which Chesney possesses, stated that bright, white light is harmful to the medium and possibly to the materialized spirit. By covering the medium's head with heavy stuffs, he obtained excellent psychic photographs of Katie King.

Other research men have obtained good psychic photographs employing the same means. Later, very good photographs were obtained by the use of magnesium powder. Still later, flash bulbs were used with good results. About eight years ago, the white light flash bulbs were dipped in some dye that filtered out the white light while permitting the infra-red to pass. Excellent psychic photographs were taken.

The great trouble with infra-red flash bulbs is the terrific surge of the light. It strikes the medium with great force, for light is a force. Again, any kind of flash bulbs do not give continuity of action. The infra-red light must be powerful and continuous, and of the most favorable wave length. There is means of obtaining a very large volume of infra-red light that begins at zero intensity and great wave length, and yet the intensity and wave length can be varied easily and at will.

Chesney desires most vividly that the message of hope shall be broadcast (televised) to the ends of the earth this year, and it can be done. A means of medium control is such that fraud is absolutely impossible. The best materializing mediums should be obtained. In fact, a battery of such mediums might greatly assist in this work. Chesney insists that if:

A. There is absolute medium control, and
B. If the treated cone is levitated as planned, and
C. If voices come from the cone in various languages. Voices that give intelligent, coherent messages, and
D. If the films, sound track added, are sent over the globe and telecasted, and
E. If the messages are heard and understood as well in Siberia as in So. Africa, then
F. THE SURVIVAL OF MAN HAS BEEN PROVED BEYOND QUESTION.

If any group of earnest researchers in the psychic field will contact Chesney, with assurances that this work is to be on an absolutely non-commercial basis, he (Chesney) will furnish true and full details.

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Mr. Chesney states that this plan was investigated and approved by Charles P. Steinmetz in 1922.

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THE DISC LANDINGS AT BRUSH CREEK

by Paul Spade.

(Mr. Paul Spade, one of our younger Associates, is a resident of El Cajon, Calif. He is an amateur astronomer and also deeply interested in the phenomena of the aeroforms. Upon reading of the alleged landing of a disc or 'saucer' and the belief that it might return on the 20th of July, he drove to Brush Creek four days in advance, and spent the time camping with the two miners who reported the matter, Mr. John Black and Mr. John Van Allen. Brush Creek is in the northern Sierras, and the nearest town is Oroville. The gist of Assoc. Spade's report follows).

On arriving in the Brush Creek area I went to the Ranger station and made inquiries, and the Ranger showed me to the old lumber road. By following this I came to the camp of the two miners, Mr. Black and Mr. Van Allen, at the junction of Jordan Creek and Marble Creek. They were very friendly and hospitable and gave me an account of what had happened so far. But it was clear to me that neither of these men wanted any publicity. They had seen the 'saucer' or saucers and had gone to the Sheriff for information only, not for permission to attack the visitors.

Mr. Van Allen had asked the Sheriff jokingly if it was open season on space men, but his remark was misunderstood and lafer seized upon by the press as making headline material. Neither man had any intention of firing on the strangers, and Mr. Black in particular (who is much more active than his partner) was anxious to make friendly contact with them. (Incidentally, these miners are in search of Titanium, and this metal is believed to be part of the composition of the outer shell of the discs). Well, I fished along the creeks, but went every day to a point where I could overlook the landing spot of the discs - but did not see anything.

My photographs show the nature of this landing spot. It is a kind of small sand bar but covered with rather large rocks, and just about wide enough for an eight-foot disc to occupy. On one occasion, according to Mr. Black, the disc rested on the rocks; on another it hovered close to the bar. And there were apparently two sites where camp fires had been made, and one of these was certainly connected with the visitors, since Mr. Black found that the rock was warm, a few warm coals were scattered about, and there were signs that burned debris had been brushed off into the creek.

At this latter site Mr. Black found small footprints, about 5 inches in length. I did not find any objects myself, except, rather oddly, a large pocket knife which had the large blade <u>open</u> (one seldom loses an open knife). Black said that on one occasion his compass spun around wildly without apparent cause, and guessed that an invisible disc in the neighborhood might be the reason.

One night after I had turned in Mr. Black came and told me there was a light in the canyon. He wanted to walk up and down the road to see if anything happened and I went with him for a while, and we could see a kind of glow and the tree trunks seemed to be lighted up from all sides, not from one direction only. Against his advice I started down into the canyon, though it was rough going, and was able to see a light flickering through the trees. Mr. Black also saw this light, but it soon disappeared.

That same night I saw a light in the upper air; it was like a dim beam but not like a search light. There were in fact four or five of these dim beams, which did not rise from the ground level but seemed to originate in the air.

There were seven sightings of the disc craft, all together; three on the 20th of April, May, and June, and four sightings of craft in the air, the dates of which were not set down.

At the first sighting the craft was low down and about a quarter mile from the road; it was passing along a hillside (i.e.,against the backgorund of the hill), and its size was estimated as about eight ft. in diameter by 4½ ft. thick. It resembled two soup plates fastened together, giving a convex shape, and was travelling north to south. No audible sound.

On May 20, the disc landing naer the creek junction was seen from a distance of only 10 rods. This was the craft connected with the fire on the rock and the small foot prints. When it took off it made a hissing sound.

On June 20 the little man was seen getting water from the creek. He was so small of stature that he looked like a child at first glance and Mr. Black paid no attention to him. Then he observed closely and was able to describe him in some detail. He wore forest green pants, a jacket, a tie, dull black shoes which were remarkably flexible so that the foot and toes could be used freely. He had a green cap and black hair, and looked like a normal human except for his small size and a very small mouth. He was sturdy and very broad in the shoulders and chest, appeared to be middle aged, and walked stiffly as if his muscles were cramped (perhaps from sitting in one position). He was rather good looking and his skin was fair but looked as if he had not been much in the sunlight. This detailed observation was made by Mr. Black at a distance of about 40 ft., with unobstructed vision.

The disc or saucer itself was resting on a kind of cylinder which projected from the bottom of the craft. A rod (or rods) projected from the cylinder. W h e n Mr. Black made a noise the disc man looked all around him and then ran quickly to the saucer and put his foot on the rod as if on a step, and so went up into the ship thru the bottom. He went up as far as his knees, then seemed to sit down and lifted up his legs. The landing gear came up, the ship hung in the air for a few seconds, then took off at a 45 deg. angle with a hissing sound. No rivets were visible on this craft, and there was one window on the top side, but not transparent to outside view. The craft wobbled as the man climbed in.

One of the minor oddities about this affair was the bucket the saucer man was using. It has a flat round bottom and a bail, but the sides flared out like a segment of a cone. Mr. Black had never seen a bucket of that kind - nor have I.

The marvellous control of these saucers or discs is illustrated by the way in which one of them took off through nearby trees, when it did not have room to clear their tops. It slipped sideways btwn them until it gained altitude. No vertical lift was observed. ... At one sighting, the date of which he could not recall, Mr. Black waved his hat in a friendly and beckoning way, and the saucer wobbled a little as if in reply but then sped off.

The great day, of course (on which nothing happened) was July 20. There must have been 200 people at the creek, and I want to make clear that they were very well behaved and orderly. None of them carried firearms, nearly all had cameras, and while they crowded in a little too close to the sand bar I mentioned, they kept quiet and under cover as much as possible. Most of those I talked to had themselves seen saucers before and merely wanted to learn more about them. If any officers or officials were present they were not recognized as such. There was one hardy Robinhood who showed up armed with bow and arrow, with the idea of stunning the saucer man with a blunt arrow and then capturing him. We were able to talk him out of this idea, however.

It is unfortunate that the 'permission to shoot' story got into the press. It put Mr. Black and Mr. Allen into a bad light, of making a very stupid request, and they both feel rather aggrieved by it. No such idea was ever held by them and no such request was made. They are very kindly and intelligent men, and if we had more like them, and if the newspapers were less anxious to sensationalize, perhaps we could make some progress toward understanding our mysterious - and friendly - visitors.

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The BSR Director points out - as often before - that no single and easy explanation or description will apply to all of the great variety of aeroforms - or, almost certainly, to the many different types, kinds or races of people operating them. The enormous craft operating at great altitudes may have nothing to do with the small discs. There is reason to believe that some of the latter came from the moon (as a way station perhaps); yet there is a possibility of terrestial origin (Arctic, or sub-surface, or remote areas in South America or elsewhere). The only possible answers can come from friendly, intelligent and cooperative approach on our part - and a stupid and hostile one may give us much cause for regret.

ML.